

A/RE ISSUE

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re REISSUE PATENT APPLICATION of

Atty. Ref: 36-1008

ATTWATER et al.

Reissue of Patent No. 5,940,793

Granted: August 17, 1999

For: VOICE-OPERATED SERVICES

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BOX REISSUE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

August 16, 2001

Sir:

LETTER

Enclosed herewith is an application for the reissue of Patent No. 5,940,793, entitled "VOICE-OPERATED SERVICES" to David J. Attwater et al., and assigned to BRITISH TELECOMMUNICATIONS PUBLIC LIMITED COMPANY, comprised of:

1. A Transmittal Letter.
2. Specification (10 pages including page having abstract), Claims (37 numbered claims) and Drawings (6 pages).
3. Preliminary Amendment.
4. Status of Claims and Support for Claim Amendments.
5. Basic Filing Fee of \$710.
6. Extra Claims Fee of \$678 (6 Additional Independent Claims x \$80 and 11 Additional Total Claims x \$18).
7. Information Disclosure Statement and cited references.

This filing is being made under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) without an executed inventors' oath/declaration.

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Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 based on Austria Application No. 94307843 filed on October 25, 1994. A certified copy of the priority documents was filed in U.S. Application Serial No. 08/817,673, filed on April 21, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,940,793.

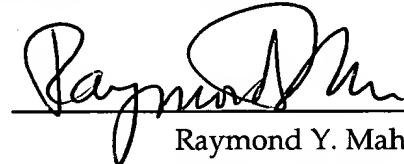
The Examiner's attention is directed to the prior art cited in the parent application by the Applicant and/or Examiner for the reasons stated therein.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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STATUS OF CLAIMS AND SUPPORT FOR CLAIM AMENDMENTS

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.173(c), (a) the status of claim 16 is canceled, (b) the status of each of claims 1-15 and 17-37 of original U.S. Patent No. 5,940,793 (hereinafter the U.S. '793 patent) is pending, and (c) the status of each of (newly added) reissue claims 38-49 is pending, as of the date of the preliminary amendment filed concurrently herewith in this reissue application.

Support in the disclosure for the amendments to claims 12, 15, 17 and 18 and new claims 46-49 can be found, for example, on col. 2, lines 39-67, col. 8, line 64 to col. 9, line 10 and col. 12, line 50 to col. 13, line 13 of the U.S. '793 patent. Support in

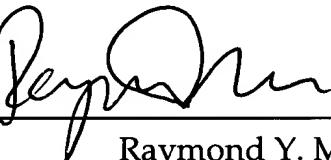
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the disclosure for new claims 38-45 can be found, for example, on col. 2, lines 39-67
and col. 10, lines 28-45 of the U.S. '793 patent.

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